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SUBJ: MAJOR SALE OF FORD TRUCKS TO ECUADOREAN ARMY

VISITING FORD REP O'KEEFE INFORMS EMBOFF THAT HE HAS SIGNED A CONTRACT WITH ARMY COMMANDER GENERAL LOPEZ FOR THE SALE OF 1600 VEHICLES, MOSTLY HEAVY DUTY MILITARY TRUCKS AND SOME JEEPS, WITH A TOTAL VALUE OF \$24 MILLION. FINANCING IS THROUGH LOEB RHODES. DELIVERY IS TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY 1975 AND CONTINUE OVER A YEAR'S TIME. PRINCIPAL COMPETITOR FOR THE CONTRACT WAS MERCEDES-BENZ. O'KEEFE REPORTS THAT LOPEZ PRESSED FORD HARD TO CONDUCT A DEMONSTRATION OF ITS EQUIPMENT IN MARCH OR APRIL FOR THE BENEFIT OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ARMY AND OTHER GOE AGENCIES. FORD AGREED AND O'KEEFE WILL RETURN TO QUITO IN MARCH TO ORGANIZE THAT DEMONSTRATION. HEMENWAY

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